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SUBJECT: MAJOR TRADE OPPORTUNITY -- PREHEATING PROCESS FOR
PRODUCTION OF COKING COAL

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1. ING. MALIK (NOT MALEK AS INCORRECTLY SPELLED REFTEL B) INFORMED EMBASSY JANUARY 3 THAT PROPOSED TIMING OF VISIT OF ALLIED CHIEMICAL OFFICIALS NAMED REFTEL (A) ENTIRELY SATISFACTORY TO HIS MINISTRY. MALIK SUGGESTS MR. MARTING AND ASSOCIATE PLAN TO ARRIVE IN PRAGUE ON EITHER SUNDAY OR MONDAY, JANUARY 19 AND 20, RESPECTIVELY, TO ALLOW TIME FOR DOMESTIC TRAVEL TO OSTRAVA (INDUSTRIAL CITY IN NORTHERN MORAVIA NEAR POLISH BORDER) WHERE SEMINAR WILL BE HELD ON TUESDAY, JANAURY 21. INTERNAL FLIGHTS FROM PRAGUE TO OSTRAVA OCCUR FIVE TIMES DAILY.

2. MALIK ASSURES US THAT BETWEEN 40-50 METALLURIGICAL INDUSTRY EXPERTS AND OFFICIALS WILL ATTEND ALLIED CHEMICAL SEMINAR. HE RECOMMENDED ALLIED CHEMICAL TEAM COME PREPARED TO PRESENT SLIDES OR FILMS, PREFERABLY LATTER, ON COALTEK PROCESS. IN ORDER TO INSURE SMMOTH PRESENTATION, MALIK WOULD LIKE TO KNOW EXACT SIZE OF SLIDES AND/OR FILM TO BE USED SO THAT PROPER EQUIPMENT CAN BE IN PLACE. (MALIK'S ASSURANCES TO CONTRARY NOTWITHSTANDING, EMBASSY STRONGLY RECOMMENDS ALLIED CHEMICAL TEAM COME EQUIPPMED WITH PORTABLE UNCLASSIFIED

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SLIDE PROJECTOR AND SMALL STEP-DOWN TRANSFORMER TO CONVERT 220 VOLT

CURRENT TO 110. POOR SLIDE PROJECTION EQUIPMENT IS
HALLMARKS OF TECHNICAL SEMINARS IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA.) MINISTRY
WILL PROVIDE INTERPRETERS.

3. IF COMMERCE WILL LET US KNOW EXACT ITINERARY OF ALLIED
CHEMICAL TEAM, EMBASSY WILL BE PLEASED TO ASSIST IN MAKING
NECESSARY HOTEL AND TRAVEL RESERVATIONS.
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